

Having, thus, described the invention, what is claimed is:

1 1. A lever-support bracket apparatus for a small waterboat in which a seat is
2 placed above a deck, an engine is placed below the deck, a jet propulsion unit is placed in
3 the rear of the engine, a steering nozzle for fixing an ejection direction of jet water is
4 placed in the rear of the jet propulsion unit, a reverse bucket for guiding the jet water to
5 the front is placed in the rear of the steering nozzle, and the reverse bucket is made
6 operable by an operation lever, wherein

7 the operation lever is placed in the vicinity of a front end of the seat, and is
8 attached to the deck by a lever-support bracket to swing freely, and

9 wherein the lever-support bracket apparatus comprises a socket section into
10 which a tongue-shaped piece at the front end of the seat can be inserted, said socket
11 section integrally formed with said lever-support bracket to be a piece therewith.

1 2. A lever-support bracket apparatus for a small waterboat having a deck, and in
2 which a seat is placed above the deck, an engine is placed below the deck, and a jet-
3 propulsion unit is placed behind the engine, the waterboat also having a steering nozzle
4 behind the jet propulsion unit for fixing an ejection direction of jet water, and a reverse
5 bucket adjacent the steering nozzle for selectively guiding the jet water towards the front
6 of the boat, the reverse bucket being operable by an operation lever,

7 wherein said lever-support bracket apparatus is provided for placement in the
8 vicinity of a front end of the seat, said apparatus comprising:

9 a lever-support bracket which is attachable to the deck of said

10 waterboat
11 and is pivotally attachable to said operation lever for facilitating control of
12 the position of said reverse bucket, and
13 a socket section for receiving a tongue-shaped piece at the front
14 end of the seat;
15 wherein at least part of said socket section is rigidly connected to
16 said lever-support bracket.

1 3. The lever-support bracket apparatus of claim 2, wherein the lever-support
2 bracket comprises a base portion and an upper portion attached to the base portion
3 and extending upwardly therefrom.

1 4. The lever-support bracket apparatus of claim 3, wherein the base portion
2 comprises front and rear leg sections, each having left and right ends.

1 5. The lever-support bracket apparatus of claim 4, wherein each of the left and
2 right ends of the front and rear leg sections has an attachment hole formed
3 therethrough.

1 6. The lever-support bracket apparatus of claim 2, wherein the operation lever
2 comprises disc having a hole formed therethrough to receive a mounting bolt.

1 7. The lever-support bracket apparatus of claim 2, wherein the operation lever has
2 arcuate slot formed therein to guide sliding movement thereof.

1 8. A small waterboat, comprising:

2 a deck;

3 a seat situated above the deck;

4 an engine situated below the deck;

5 a jet-propulsion unit located behind the engine;

6 a steering nozzle located behind the jet propulsion unit for fixing an ejection

7 direction of jet water, and

8 a reverse bucket adjacent the steering nozzle for selectively guiding the jet water

9 towards the front of the boat, the reverse bucket being operable by an operation lever,

10 wherein said lever-support bracket apparatus is provided for placement in the

11 vicinity of a front end of the seat, said apparatus comprising:

12 a lever-support bracket which is attachable to the deck of said

13 waterboat

14 and is pivotally attachable to said operation lever for facilitating control of

15 the position of said reverse bucket, and

16 a socket section for receiving a tongue-shaped piece at the front

17 end of the seat;

18 wherein at least part of said socket section is rigidly connected to

19 said lever-support bracket.

1 9. The waterboat of claim 8, wherein the lever-support bracket comprises a base
2 portion and an upper portion attached to and extending upwardly from the base
3 portion.

1 10. The waterboat of claim 9, wherein the base portion of the lever-support
2 bracket comprises front and rear leg sections, each having left and right ends.

1 11. The waterboat of claim 10, wherein each of the left and right ends of the front
2 and rear sections of the base portion of the lever-support bracket has an
3 attachment hole formed therethrough.

1 12. The waterboat of claim 8, wherein the operation lever comprises a disc having
2 a hole formed centrally therethrough to receive a mounting bolt.

1 13. The waterboat of claim 8, wherein the operation lever has arcuate slot formed
2 therein to guide sliding movement thereof.

1 14. The waterboat of claim 9, wherein the operation lever has an arcuate slot
2 formed therein to guide sliding movement thereof.